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REFERENCE:



ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT (NORTH)  
THAI NGUYEN, NVN  
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1. SIGNIFICANCE: RECONSTRUCTION OF ONE OF THE LARGEST SUPPLY DEPOTS IN NORTH VIETNAM.
2. LOCATION: 2.5 NAUTICAL MILES (NM) NORTH OF THAI NGUYEN AND 36 NM NORTH OF HANOI NVN ON ROUTE 1B.
3. REMARKS: THE THAI NGUYEN ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT (NORTH) IS ONE OF THE LARGEST SUPPLY DEPOTS IN NORTH VIETNAM. THE DEPOT ORIGINALLY CONTAINED 36 LARGE SAW TOOTH ROOFED WAREHOUSES WITH AN ESTIMATED COVERED STORAGE AREA OF 454,000 SQUARE FEET.
4. COLLATERAL: THIS INSTALLATION PROVIDED LOGISTICAL SUPPORT FOR THE MILITARY INSTALLATIONS SURROUNDING THE THAI NGUYEN INDUSTRIAL COMPLEX.
5. MISSION READOUT: POST-STRIKE PHOTOGRAPHY  REVEALED EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO THAI NGUYEN ARMY SUPPLY DEPOT (NORTH). ALL OF THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED

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BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES WITHIN THIS WALL SECURED DEPOT HAVE BEEN SUBJECTED TO AIRSTRIKE AND ALL BUILDING ROOFS HAVE BEEN DISMANTLED/DESTROYED. ONLY THE BUILDING FOUNDATIONS AND THE WALLS OF SOME BUILDINGS REMAIN INTACT.

PHOTOGRAPHY  REVEALS EXTENSIVE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE DEPOT. TEN OF THE ORIGINAL 36 LARGE SAW TOOTH ROOF WAREHOUSES HAVE BEEN RECONSTRUCTED AND SEVEN ARE STILL UNDER CONSTRUCTION. ALL OTHER FOUNDATIONS HAVE BEEN CLEARED AND MANY ARE CURRENTLY BEING USED EITHER AS PARKING HARDSTANDS FOR SOME OF THE 160 TRUCKS PARKED WITHIN THE DEPOT OR FOR OPEN STORAGE. AT LEAST 60 ADDITIONAL TRUCKS ARE PARKED IN A PROBABLE MAINTENANCE AREA WEST OF THE DEPOT ACROSS ROUTE 1B. NINETEEN LARGE CRATES ARE STORED IN THE OPEN WITHIN THE DEPOT.

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